22. Uttar Pradesh	15560.00	10720.00
23. West Bengal	9240.00	6800.00
24. A & N Islands	40.00	0.00
25. D & Nagar Haveli	30.00	0.00
26. Daman & Diu	20.00	0.00
27. Lakshdweep	100.00	0.00
TOTAL	170569.00	84370.00

Setting up of Nuclear Power Project in Andhra Pradesh

2103 DR. ALLADIP RAJKUMAR:
DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be plesed to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up nuclear power project in Andhra Pradesh or in any other Southern State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any survey has been conducted for selection of suitable site; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTR OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) and (b) Two units of 220 MWe are under construction at Kaiga in Karnataka. Advance procurement action for critical and long delivery items has been taken for four more units of 220 MWe to be located at this site. A proposal to commission a detailed project report for setting up of two units of 1000 MWe light water reactors at Kudankulam (Tamil Nadu) with the Cooperation of the Russian Federation is under negotiation. There is no proposal to set up a nuclear power project in Andhra Pradesh in the near future.

(c) and (d) A site selection committee appointed by the Department of Atomic Energy during 1991 undertook a survey of possible sites for locating new Atomic Power Plants. Nagarjunasagar in Nalgonda district and Kovvada in Srikakulam district were the two sites investigated by the site selection committee in Andhra Pradesh. The first site was considered more suitable than the second.

Construction of Boundary wall along Railway Line in Ashok Vihar

2104. PROF. NAUNIHAL SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi High Court had directed the DDA to construct a boundary wall along the railway line and subsequently to fill breaches in the wall caused by the jhuggi dwellers;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by DDA to fill all the breaches in the wall;

(c) whether it is a fact that the park is being used by the jhuggi dwellers for defecation; and

(d) if so, what action the DDA has taken to stop the jhuggi dwellers from defecating in the park so that it does not creat health hazards to the residents of the area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Delhi Development Authority has reported that the boundary wall was completed, breaches were plugged and the Hon'ble High Court was informed accordingly on 5.1.1993 and 6.1.1993.

(c) A strip along the boundary wall on park side is being used by the jhuggi dwellers for defecation.

(d) The Delhi Development Authority has requested the police authorities to take necessary action in the matter.

Efficient working of VSAT Network

2105. SHRI SURINDER KUMAR SINGLA:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken to upgrade all the terrestrial backbone links to 64K for efficient working of the VSAT network (SATWAN);

(b) which are the links which have been upgraded to 2Mbps; and

(c) what other steps are being taken to provide better quality of service?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (c) The Department of Electronics has applied to the Department of Telecommunication for upgradation of terrestrial backbone links to 64Kbps and 2Mbps. Other steps towards providing better quality of service include upgradation of access links through radio links and more dialup ports.

Functioning of the N.E.C.

2106. SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether some suggestions were made in the recent meeting of the N.E. Council for improvement in its effectiveness of functioning;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what are the details of allocation of funds made to different States during the preceding three financial years by the N.E. Council?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. Some important suggestions made in the 40th meeting of North Eastern Council (NEC) for improvement in its functioning are given as under:—

(i) There is need for strict monitoring for effective utilisation of NEC funds.

(ii) NEC should take steps to guide the Region in formulation of the projects.

(iii) Monitoring and Evaluation of NEC projects was emphasised.

(iv) NEC should be delegated with greater powers for formulation of schemes and higher allocation of funds.

(v) Restructuring of NEC.

(c) The details of funds released to different North Eastern States during the last three years by NEC are given at Statement (*see* below).